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Sir:

The Action mailed May 18, 2005 appears defective or least unclear in several respects.

ITEM 9

Item 9 of the Action purports to reject claims 9-12 and 22 under 35 U.S.C 103(a) over Criscimagna et al. – but in the paragraph spanning pages 3-4, instead, relies on Kurikko.

QUERY

Is Kurikko intended to be included in the rejection of Item 4?

Applicants note, on the other hand, that Kurikko is combined with Kanazawa in the rejection of Item 9.

QUERY

Was the discussion of Kurikko on pages 3-4 instead intended to be part of Item 5?

**ITEM 9: OBJECTION TO CLAIM 10 BUT INDICATION OF ALLOWABILITY OF CLAIM 10 IF
REWRITTEN TO INDEPENDENT FORM.**

The indicated allowability of claim 10 is inconsistent with the rejection of claim 10 in Item 6 of the Office Action Summary and Item 4 of the Action.

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QUERY

Is claim 10 allowable per Item 9?

CONCLUSION

Accordingly, issuance of a replacement Office Action responding to the above status of
QUERIES is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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